

Mr. Straus tendered his resignation of the pastoral charge of Markham, assigning as the reason, the state of his wife's health, which required that she should remove to a warmer climate. The Presbytery heard with much concern his statement, and agreed to record their sympathy with him, and to summon the congregation of Markham to appear for their interests at a meeting to be held in Toronto on the 22nd August, when the matter shall be adjudicated on. The Clerk was instructed to write to those congregations from which no contribution had been received last year for Knox College, requesting that collections be made forthwith, and intimating that unless these be forthcoming by next meeting of Presbytery, on August 22nd, the Presbytery shall, in accordance with the injunction of last Synod, proceed to appoint deputations to visit these congregations, with a view of securing such contributions. Mr. King gave in a report from the Home Mission Committee, and the thanks of the Presbytery were given to him for his labours as Convener. Messrs. H. McQuarrie, John H. Thom, and Albert Simpson underwent their public probationary trials, and were licensed to preach the Gospel.

J. MITCHELL, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.—An adjourned meeting of this Presbytery was held in St. Andrew's Church, London, on Tuesday 8th Aug., at 11 a.m.

The induction of the Rev. J. Stewart, of Blythe, into the charge of Chalmer's Church, Dunwich, was appointed to take place on Aug. 23rd, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Geo. Grant to preach and preside, Rev. A. McDiarmid to address the minister, and Rev. A. Currie to address the people.

The following calls were laid on the table and sustained :

From Lobo, to Rev. K. McDonald.

From North and South Plympton, to Rev. John McColl.

From Amherstburgh, to Rev. Wm. Reeve.

From New Glasgow and Kintyre, to Rev. J. Greenfield.

Mr. Stewart was appointed to visit the congregation in Grant Co., Wis., U. S., and preach two Sabbaths in August and three in September, and return by Elmira, to dispense the Lord's Supper there on the last Sabbath of Sept.

The next meeting of the Presbytery will be held in St. Andrew's Church, London, on the last Sabbath of September, at 11 a.m.

GEO. CUTHBERTSON, Pres. Clerk.

THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Home Mission Committee met on the 2nd ult., and spent much time in making arrangements for the carrying out of the new regulations. It was agreed to send to each Presbytery (addressed to the Moderator) the following circular.

MY DEAR SIR—I beg to call the attention of the Presbytery of..... to the accompanying Schedules which have been prepared by the Home Mission Committee, and which the Presbytery is requested to fill up according to the injunction of last Synod. That the Committee may be able to make arrangements for the winter half-year, it is particularly requested that the reports be returned to me before the 20th day of September next, and it is hoped that if no meeting of Presbytery is appointed to be held before that time, you will see fit to call a special meeting to consider the matter.

The Presbytery is also requested to furnish the committee with a statement *in full*, of all the "obligations of the Presbytery arising from grants in aid promised to weak congregations, or arrears of salary due to missionaries for services rendered" before the 30th day of April, 1865; which liabilities the committee has been instructed to assume, at least to the amount which the Presbytery may contribute to the Central Fund.

The attention of the Presbytery is further respectfully directed to the pro-